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1. The 1952/1953 trade agreement between China and Eastern Germany involves approximately \$65,000,000 worth of goods. Of this amount, goods to the value of \$35,000,000 are to be procured by the China Export Corporation of Berlin in the West. The quota for rolling mill products to be obtained in the West is \$12,000,000.

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3. Furthermore, the Corporation has just lost the services of the head of its shipping department, Booth, who, on the instructions of the DDR Ministry of Trade, has been transferred to the Deutsches Kontor für Seefrachten, Charlottenstrasse 60, Berlin W.8, a new DDR shipping company which will handle shipments between East German ports and the Far East.
4. In looking for new personnel, the Corporation is not allowed to engage specialists from DIA, Meletex, etc., since these are regarded as corrupt and politically unreliable.

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5. The internal security of the Corporation has been considerably tightened up as described in the following:
  - a. Visitors are required to surrender their passports or identity cards at the porter's desk on arrival, against a slip of paper which has to be

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signed by Knapp, Ramlow, or Richter before the visitor can get his papers back and leave the building.

- b. Visitors are now only allowed in certain rooms on the first floor, where Knapp, Ramlow, Richter, and their secretaries have their offices. The second and third floors are out of bounds to visitors, except occasionally the cashier's office on the third floor.
- c. Departmental managers are not allowed to have direct contact with visitors, except in the presence of Knapp, Ramlow, or Richter.
- d. Some four or five men of the DDR State Security Service have been given cover jobs in the Corporation. One, named Wollak, was assistant to Lindholz, former head of the Technical Department; another, named Wolin, is in charge of the photostat department.

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